

Atty. Dkt. No. 040302-0282

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Setsuo NAKAMURA
Title: LOCATING UNIT, VEHICLE
BODY ASSEMBLY MACHINE
USING THE SAME AND
METHOD THEREFOR
Appl. No.: 10/014,549
Filing Date: 12/14/2001
Examiner: E. Omgba
Art Unit: 3726

Substance of Interview Statement per MPEP §713.04

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In view of the Personal Interview held on February 24, 2005, Applicant submits that the Interview Summary (a copy of which is attached) provides a complete and proper recordation of the substance of the interview, per MPEP §713.04.

Applicant sincerely thanks Examiner Omgba for extending the courtesy of the in-person interview.

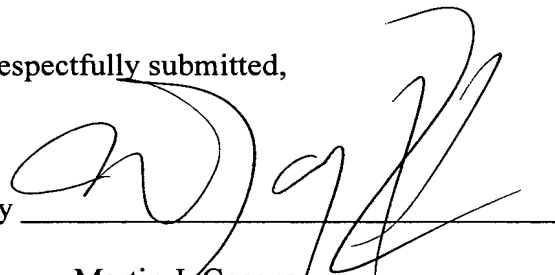
The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or

even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, Applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Examiner Omgba is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

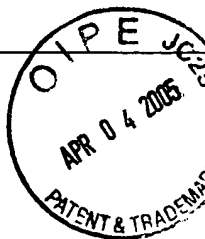
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Interview Summary



Application No.

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Examiner

Essama Omgba

Applicant(s)

NAKAMURA, SETSUO

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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Essama Omgba.

(3) _____.

(2) Martin Cosenza.

(4) _____.

Date of Interview: 24 February 2005.

Type: a) ☐ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference

c) ☒ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☒ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.

If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1 and 3.

Identification of prior art discussed: Prior art of record.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Applicant argued that amended claim 1 requires the detection element to be movable with respect to the work seating surface. The examiner contends that using a movable detection element or a sensor as taught in the prior art as discussed in the background section of the specification is an obvious matter of design choice. The examiner concedes that amended claim 1 overcomes the Bazydola et al. reference.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE, OR THE MAILING DATE OF THIS INTERVIEW SUMMARY FORM, WHICHEVER IS LATER, TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.

Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.

Examiner's signature, if required